



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS
2000 NAVY PENTAGON
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20350-2000

IN REPLY REFER TO
21 May 04

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The President, under the provisions of Section 601, Title 10, United States Code, has submitted to the Senate the nomination of Rear Admiral James M. Zortman, United States Navy, for appointment to the grade of vice admiral.

Rear Admiral Zortman is presently serving as Commander, Naval Air Force, United States Atlantic Fleet. He will be assigned as Commander, Naval Air Force, United States Pacific Fleet. He is 52 years of age.

This action will not result in the Navy exceeding the number of authorized three-star positions.

For the information of the Committee, I am enclosing a career resume on Rear Admiral Zortman which includes a summary of his joint duty assignments.

Most respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "R. S. Erskine", is positioned above the typed name.

R. S. ERSKINE
Director, Flag Officer
Management and Distribution

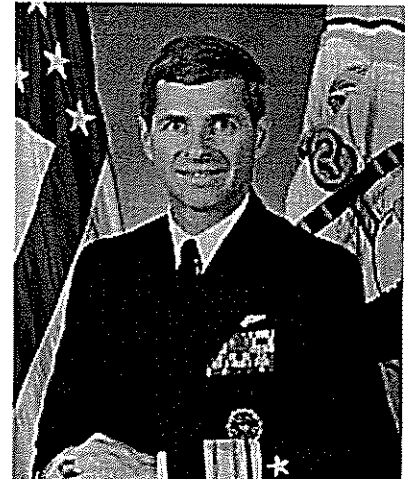
The Honorable Duncan Hunter
Chairman, House Armed Services Committee
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

cc: The Honorable Ike Skelton
Ranking Member
House Armed Services Committee
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515



**TRANSCRIPT OF NAVAL SERVICE FOR
REAR ADMIRAL JAMES MILTON ZORTMAN
U.S. NAVY**

19 JUL 1951 Born in Onawa, Iowa
 30 JUN 1969 Midshipman, U.S. Naval Academy
 06 JUN 1973 Ensign
 06 JUN 1975 Lieutenant (junior grade)
 01 JUL 1977 Lieutenant
 01 AUG 1982 Lieutenant Commander
 01 SEP 1988 Commander
 01 JUL 1994 Captain
 01 SEP 2000 Rear Admiral (lower half)
 19 SEP 2002 Designated Rear Admiral while serving in billets
 commensurate with that grade
 01 OCT 2003 Rear Admiral, Service continuous to date



<u>ASSIGNMENTS AND DUTIES</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
USS GRAY (DE 1054) (Damage Control Assistant)	JUL 1973	MAR 1975
Naval Aviation Schools Command, Pensacola, FL (DUINS)	MAR 1975	MAY 1975
Training Squadron TEN (DUINS)	MAY 1975	FEB 1976
Training Squadron EIGHT SIX (DUINS)	FEB 1976	APR 1976
Fighter Squadron ONE TWO SIX (DUINS)	APR 1976	MAY 1976
Attack Squadron ONE TWO EIGHT (DUINS)	MAY 1976	DEC 1976
Attack Squadron NINE FIVE (Personnel Officer)	DEC 1976	JUN 1979
Attack Squadron ONE TWO EIGHT (Bombardier/ Navigator NATOPS Officer)	JUN 1979	OCT 1980
Commander, Medium Attack Tactical Electronic Warfare Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet (Flag Lieutenant)	OCT 1980	AUG 1982
Fleet Training Center, San Diego, CA (DUINS)	AUG 1982	OCT 1982
USS CONSTELLATION (CV 64) (Assistant Navigator)	OCT 1982	AUG 1984
Attack Squadron ONE TWO EIGHT (Fleet Replacement Bombardier/Navigator)	AUG 1984	FEB 1985
Attack Squadron NINE FIVE (Maintenance Officer)	FEB 1985	JUL 1987
CO, Medium Attack Weapons School, Pacific, NAS Whidbey Island, Oak Harbor, WA	JUL 1987	JUL 1988
Commander, Medium Attack Tactical Electronic Warfare Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet (Commanding Officer)	JUL 1988	MAR 1989

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<u>ASSIGNMENTS AND DUTIES (CONT'D)</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
XO, Attack Squadron FIVE TWO	MAR 1989	OCT 1990
CO, Attack Squadron FIVE TWO	OCT 1990	FEB 1992
Joint Staff (Action Officer-European/Central Command Branch) (J-3)	MAR 1992	AUG 1994
Commander, Carrier Air Wing SEVENTEEN (Deputy Commander)	AUG 1994	JAN 1996
Commander, Carrier Air Wing SEVENTEEN	JAN 1996	JUL 1997
Naval War College, Newport, RI (Strategic Studies Group Fellow)	JUL 1997	JUN 1998
Joint Staff (Executive Assistant to the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff)	JUN 1998	JUL 2000
Office of the CNO (Director, Political Military Affairs) (N52)	JUL 2000	OCT 2001
Commander, Carrier Group SEVEN	OCT 2001	JUL 2002
Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet	JUL 2002	TO DATE

MEDALS AND AWARDS

Defense Superior Service Medal	Joint Service Achievement Medal
Legion of Merit with two Gold Stars	Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal
Defense Meritorious Service Medal	National Defense Service Medal with one
Meritorious Service Medal with one Gold Star	Bronze Star
Air Medal (First Strike/Flight Award)	Expert Pistol Shot Medal
Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with one Gold Star	

SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

BS (Economics) U.S. Naval Academy, 1973
Designated Naval Flight Officer, 1976

PERSONAL DATA

Wife: Kathie L. Loers of Oak Harbor, Washington
Children: Benjamin M. Rodgers (Stepson)
Born: 26 June 1975
Brenna K. Zortman (Daughter)
Born: 25 July 1981

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SUMMARY OF JOINT DUTY ASSIGNMENTS

<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Joint Staff (Action Officer-European/Central Command Branch) (J-3)	MAR 92 - AUG 94	CDR
Joint Staff (Executive Assistant to the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff)	JUN 98 - JUL 00	CAPT